

Maritime Cyber Lab 2026

Interactive Exchange and Co-Creation Lab on Maritime Cyber Security

Brussels, Belgium | 27–28 May 2026

Day 1 – Morning session

The Maritime Cyber Risk Landscape

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:30	<p>Opening of the Lab</p> <p>Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels</p> <p>German External Affairs representative</p> <p>Dr. Patrick Verhoeven, Managing Director IAPH</p>
09:30 – 09:45	<p>Session 1: Maritime Cybersecurity as a Global Safety Priority</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Jeremy Greenwood, Head of Maritime Security Section (IMO)</p> <p><i>🔗 Focus on future maritime IMO Cyber guidelines / regulations</i></p>
09:45 – 10:00	<p>Session 2: Cyber Attacks from the Threat Actor Perspective</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte (Ethical hacking researcher, Corelan)</p> <p><i>🔗 Focus on hacking exposure and how attackers identify new vulnerabilities</i></p>
10:00 – 10:45	<p>Session 3: Maritime Cybersecurity Policy and Regulatory Developments and Implications for States</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Martin Seidel, European Commission DG MOVE (European Commission)</p> <p><i>🔗 Focus on new EU Ports Strategy on Cybersecurity</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, European Commission DG CNCT (European Commission)</p> <p><i>🔗 Focus on actual EU Cyber Security Strategy and Policies</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Matthew Parker, UK Department for Transport (DfT)</p> <p><i>🔗 Focus on Sovereign national maritime cybersecurity policies and implications</i></p>

10:45 – 11:15	Group Photo and Coffee Break
11:15 – 11:45	<p>Session 4: Cyber Risk as a Systemic and Financial Risk</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Johan Romkes, CISO team Rabobank <i>☞ Focus on how financial institutions handle cyber incidents</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Simona Sulikova, World Bank <i>☞ Focus on the financial impact of maritime cyber incidents</i></p>
11:45 – 12:15	<p>Session 5: Cyber Risk from a Global Shipping Operator Perspective</p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Luisa Puccio, European Shipowners ECSA <i>☞ Focus on Shipping Association's view on maritime cyber risks</i></p> <p>Presentation by representative from a Shipping Line <i>☞ Focus on maritime cyber risks from a Shipping line's perspective</i></p>
12:15 – 12:45	<p>Session 6: Operational Cyber Risks in Ports and Maritime Supply Chains</p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Chloe Rowland, IAPH <i>☞ Focus on the Port Association's view on maritime cyber incidents</i></p> <p>Presentation by representative from a Seaport/Terminal Operator <i>☞ Focus on how ports and terminals manage maritime cyber crimes</i></p>
12:45 – 13:00	<p>Session 7: Financial Impact of Cyber Attacks</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Oscar Egerstrom, TT Club (Maritime insurance provider) <i>☞ Focus on how Insurance Providers treat maritime cyber crimes</i></p>
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch

Day 1 – Afternoon session

Impact of cyber risks on the maritime ecosystem

14:00 – 15:00	<p>Operational Challenges and Emerging Needs</p> <p>Presentation by Mr. Nico Vertongen, Port of Antwerp-Bruges - SCOPE Africa <i>☞ Focus on the need for assistance in ports as maritime critical infrastructures</i></p> <p>Presentation by Mrs. Simona Sulikova, World Bank <i>☞ Focus on mapping global gaps</i></p> <p>Presentation by Prof. Nineta Polemi, Piraeus University Greece <i>☞ Focus on Artificial Intelligence in maritime cybersecurity challenges</i></p> <p>Presentation by Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth <i>☞ Focus on the most prominent vulnerability factor across the entire maritime sector for cyberattacks</i></p>
15:00 – 16:00	Interactive Breakout Sessions:

Breakout group 1: Mapping Global Gaps: Where Critical Infrastructure Requires Greater Cyber Resilience

Breakout group 2: The Cost of Vulnerability: Economic and Reputational Impacts of Cyber Risk

Breakout group 3: Future Threats and Academic Perspectives on Systemic Maritime Cyber Risk

16:00 – 16:20

Coffee Break

16:20 – 17:20

Plenary Session: Breakout Feedback and Discussion

Rapporteurs from breakout groups

Plenary discussion

17:20 – 19:00

Networking Reception

UN House

Day 2 – Morning session

Exploring the Way Forward

08:30 – 09:00

Welcome Coffee

09:00 – 10:20

Panel Discussion 1: Strengthening International Cooperation on Maritime Cybersecurity

Moderator : Mr Denys Reva (ISS International Security Studies)

Panel : Mr. Jeremy Greenwood or Mr. Andrew Clarke (IMO)

Mr. Johan Romkes, CISO team Rabobank (TBC)

Mr. Matthew Parker, UK Department for Transport (DfT)

Prof. Kevin Jones, University of Plymouth

10:20 – 10:40

Coffee Break

10:40 – 11:40

Panel Discussion 2: Advancing Capacity Development in Maritime Cybersecurity

Moderator : Prof. Vasile Draghici, EU Cybernet

Panel : Mrs. Chloe Rowland, IAPH

Mr. Oscar Egerstrom, TT Club

Mr. Juuso Jarviniemi, European Commission DG CNCT

Mr. Peter Van Eeckhoutte, Corelan

11:40 – 12:00

Final Session: Towards a Roadmap

Mr. Christophe Van Maele, Maritime Governance Coordinator, UNITAR University

 *Key outcomes from the 2-day Maritime Cybersecurity Lab discussions*

12:00 – 12:10

Closing Remarks

Mr. Sascha Weh, Chief, Division for Peace, Brussels

12:10 – 14:00

Networking Lunch

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